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SUBJ: WORLD FOOD COUNCIL (WFC) FOURTH SESSION

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1. COPIES OF SECRETARY BERGLAND'S LETTER (REFTEL) WERE SENT TO SRI LANKA MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE, E.L. SENANAYAKE, AND TO D.H.J. ABEYGOONASEKERA, ADDITIONAL SECRETARY IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, WHO IS ACTING AS COORDINATOR OF SRI LANKA S PREPARATIONS FOR THE WFC FOURTH SESSION.
2. MINISTER SENANAYAKE RESPONDED THAT SRI LANKA WOULD BE REPRESENTED BY ITS AMBASSADOR IN WASHINGTON, PROFESSOR W.S. KARUNARATNE, AND THAT A COPY OF SECRETARY BERGLAND S LETTER WAS BEING SENT TO AMBASSADOR KARUNARATNE FOR HIS GUID-
ANCE.
3. ABEYGOONASEKERA TOLD THE ECON OFFICER THAT PRESIDENT JAYAWARDENE HAD DECIDED THAT AMBASSADOR KARUNARATNE RATHER THAN THE MINISTER SHOULD ATTEND THE WFC CONFERENCE.
(COMMENT: INCREASING PUBLIC CRITICISM OF FOREIGN TRIPS BY SENIOR SRI LANKAN OFFICIALS MAY HAVE INFLUENCED THE PRESIDENT S DECISION TO KEEP MINISTER SENANAYAKE AT HOME.) ABEY-
GOONASEKERA INDICATED THAT SRI LANKA SUPPORTS THE VIEWS EXPRESSED
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IN SECRETARY BERGLAND S LETTER AND SAID AMBASSADOR KARUNARATNE HAD BEEN INSTRUCTED TO MEET AND COOPERATE WITH THE SECRETARY. HE ALSO SAID THE AMBASSADOR WOULD BE ASSISTED BY S.M.L. MARIKAR, SRI LANKAN COUNSELLOR IN ROME, WHO NORMALLY ATTENDS WFC MEETINGS THERE. MARIKAR IS PRESENTLY IN MEXICO ATTENDING THE PRELIMINARY TECHNICAL SESSIONS.
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